

A2 so that it is possible to search a redial data and a telephone directory data by use of the key.--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 1-19.

Add the following new claims:

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--20. (new) A method of operating a portable telephone having plural numbered dialing keys for dialing a telephone number, the method comprising the steps of:

establishing the telephone in a call origination mode;  
operating one of the plural numbered dialing keys and determining an identity of the operated one of the plural numbered dialing keys; and

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changing from the call origination mode to an operating mode in which a call cannot be originated based on the determined identity of the operated one of the plural numbered dialing keys.

--21. (new) The method of claim 20, wherein the operating mode in which a call cannot be originated is a stored telephone number search mode.

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--22. (new) The method of claim 20, wherein the step of changing from the call origination mode to an operating mode in which a call cannot be originated occurs when the determined identity of the operated one of the plural numbered dialing keys is one of a first set of the plural numbered dialing keys and wherein the step of changing from the call origination mode to an

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operating mode in which a call cannot be originated does not occur when the determined identity of the operated one of the plural numbered dialing keys is one of a second set of the plural numbered dialing keys that does not overlap the first set.

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--23. (new) The method of claim 22, wherein the second set includes keys for "0" and "1" and the first set includes two of the plural numbered dialing keys that are next to each other.

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--24. (new) The method of claim 23, further comprising the step of operating the two keys in the first set to perform a search of stored telephone numbers.

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--25. (new) A portable telephone comprising:  
plural numbered dialing keys for dialing a telephone number; and

a processor that establishes a call origination mode, determines an identity of an operated one of said plural numbered dialing keys, and changes the telephone from the call origination mode to an operating mode in which a call cannot be originated based on the determined identity of the operated one of the plural numbered dialing keys.

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--26. (new) The telephone of claim 25, wherein the operating mode in which a call cannot be originated is a stored telephone number search mode.

--27. (new) The telephone of claim 25, wherein said